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In re Application of Laemmle et al.

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For: COMPOSITION EXHIBITING A VON WILLEBRAND FACTION (vWF) PROTEASE ACTIVITY COMPRISING A POLYPEPTIDE CHAIN WITH THE AMINO ACID SEQUENCE

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DECISION NOTING JOINDER OF INVENTOR AND PETITION UNDER 37 CFR 1.147(a) MOOT

Papers filed on May 21, 2002 in reply to "Decision Refusing Status Under 37 CFR 1.47(a)" mailed on March 21, 2002, included a Declaration signed by the previously nonsigning inventor, Luigina Tagliavacca, in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63.

In view of the joinder of the inventor, further consideration under 37 CFR 1.47(a) is moot; this application does not have any rule 1.47(a) status and no such status should appear on the file wrapper. This application need not be returned to this office for any further consideration under 37 CFR 1.47(a).

This application will be forwarded to the Office of Initial Patent Examination for further processing.

Inquiries related to this decision may be addressed to the undersigned at (703) 308-6712.

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